

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with Newt Gingrich to congratulate him on winning reelection to a second term as Speaker of the House of Representatives. The President also placed calls to Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, Senate Minority Leader Thomas S. Daschle, and House Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt.

The President announced his intention to nominate Susan E. Trees to the National Council on the Humanities.

The White House announced that the President will meet with United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan in the Oval Office on January 23.

The White House announced that the President appointed Charles Ruff to succeed Jack Quinn as Assistant to the President and Counsel to the President early next month. The President also appointed: Cheryl D. Mills to be Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Counsel to the President; Kathleen M.H. Wallman to be Deputy Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and Chief of Staff and Counselor to the National Economic Council; and Elena Kagan to be Deputy Director of the Domestic Policy Council.

The President declared a major disaster in the State of Washington and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe ice storms beginning November 19 and continuing through December 4.

The President declared a major disaster in Minnesota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe ice storms November 14–30.

January 8

In the morning, the President met with members of his economic team and Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan in the Oval Office to discuss economic issues.

January 9

In the morning, the President met with NATO Secretary General Javier Solana and Vice President Gore in the Vice President's West Wing office.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jeffrey Davidow to be a member

of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation.

The White House announced that the President has appointed Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt to lead a delegation representing the United States at the inauguration of President-elect Arnaldo Aleman of Nicaragua on January 10.

January 10

The President announced his intention to appoint Ann Lewis as Assistant to the President and Deputy Communications Director.

The President announced the nomination of Sheila F. Anthony as a Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted January 7

Madeleine Korbel Albright,
of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary
of State, vice Warren Christopher, resigned.

William S. Cohen,
of Maine, to be Secretary of Defense, vice
William J. Perry.

Bill Richardson,
of New Mexico, to be the Representative of
the United States of America to the United
Nations with the rank and status of Ambas-
sador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, and
the Representative of the United States of
America in the Security Council of the Unit-
ed Nations, vice Madeleine Korbel Albright.

Aida Alvarez,
of New York, to be Administrator of the
Small Business Administration, vice Philip
Lader.

Andrew M. Cuomo,
of New York, to be Secretary of Housing and
Urban Development, vice Henry G.
Cisneros, resigned.

William M. Daley,
of Illinois, to be Secretary of Commerce, vice
Michael Kantor.

Alexis M. Herman,
of Alabama, to be Secretary of Labor, vice
Robert B. Reich.

Rodney E. Slater,
of Arkansas, to be Secretary of Transpor-
tation, vice Federico Peña.

Janet L. Yellen,
of California, to be a member of the Council
of Economic Advisers, vice Joseph E. Stiglitz,
resigned.

Charlene Barshefsky,
of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Trade
Representative, with the rank of Ambassador
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, vice Mi-
chael Kantor.

Donna Holt Cunninghame,
of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer,
Corporation for National and Community
Service, to which position she was appointed
during the last recess of the Senate (new po-
sition).

Jose-Marie Griffiths,
of Tennessee, to be a member of the Na-
tional Commission on Libraries and Informa-
tion Science for a term expiring July 19, 2001,
vice Shirley Gray Adamovich, term expired.

Madeleine May Kunin,
of Vermont, to serve concurrently and with-
out additional compensation as Ambassador
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the
United States of America to the Principality
of Liechtenstein.

John Warren McGarry,
of Massachusetts, to be a member of the
Federal Election Commission for a term ex-
piring April 30, 2001 (reappointment).

Donald Rappaport,
of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Fi-
nancial Officer, Department of Education,
vice Donald Richard Wurtz, resigned.

Karen Shepherd,
of Utah, to be U.S. Director of the European
Bank for Reconstruction and Development,
vice Lee F. Jackson, to which position she
was appointed during the last recess of the
Senate.

Arthur I. Blaustein,
of California, to be a member of the National
Council on the Humanities for a term expir-
ing January 26, 2002, vice Bruce D. Benson,
term expired.

Dave Nolan Brown,
of Washington, to be a member of the Na-
tional Council on Disability for a term expir-
ing September 17, 1998, vice John A. Gan-
non, term expired.

Lorraine Weiss Frank,
of Arizona, to be a member of the National
Council on the Humanities for a term expir-
ing January 26, 2002, vice Mikiso Hane, term
expired.

Hans M. Mark,
of Texas, to be a member of the Board of
Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship
and Excellence in Education Foundation for
a term expiring April 17, 2002 (reappoint-
ment).

Susan Ford Wiltshire,
of Tennessee, to be a member of the Na-
tional Council on the Humanities for a term
expiring January 26, 2002, vice Helen Gray
Crawford, term expired.

Alan M. Hantman,
of New Jersey, to be Architect of the Capitol
for the term of 10 years, vice George Mal-
colm White.

Eric L. Clay,
of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the
Sixth Circuit, vice Ralph B. Guy, Jr., retired.

Merrick B. Garland,
of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the
District of Columbia Circuit, vice Abner J.
Mikva, retired.

William A. Fletcher,
of California, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for
the Ninth Circuit, vice William Albert Norris,
retired.

Richard A. Paez,
of California, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for
the Ninth Circuit, vice Cecil F. Poole, re-
signed.

M. Margaret McKeown,
of Washington, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for
the Ninth Circuit, vice J. Jerome Farris, re-
tired.

Arthur Gajarsa,
of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the
Federal Circuit, vice Helen Wilson Nies, re-
tired.

James A. Beaty, Jr.,
of North Carolina, to be U.S. Circuit Judge
for the Fourth Circuit, vice James Dickson
Phillips, Jr., retired.

Ann L. Aiken,
of Oregon, to be U.S. District Judge for the
District of Oregon, vice James H. Redden,
retired.

Lawrence Baskir,
of Maryland, to be a Judge of the U.S. Court
of Federal Claims for a term of 15 years,
vice Reginald W. Gibson, retired.

Joseph F. Bataillon,
of Nebraska, to be U.S. District Judge for
the District of Nebraska, vice Lyle E. Strom,
retired.

Colleen Kollar-Kotelly,
of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Dis-
trict Judge for the District of Columbia, vice
Harold H. Greene, retired.

Richard A. Lazzara,
of Florida, to be U.S. District Judge for the
Middle District of Florida, vice John H.
Moore II, retired.

Donald M. Middlebrooks,
of Florida, to be a U.S. District Judge for
the Southern District of Florida, vice James
W. Kehoe, retired.

Jeffrey T. Miller,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for
the Southern District of California, vice Gor-
don Thompson, Jr., retired.

Susan Oki Mollway,
of Hawaii, to be U.S. District Judge for the
District of Hawaii, vice Harold M. Fong, de-
ceased.

Margaret M. Morrow,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for
the Central District of California, vice Rich-
ard A. Gadbois, Jr., retired.

Robert W. Pratt,
of Iowa, to be U.S. District Judge for the
Southern District of Iowa, vice Harold D.
Vietor, retired.

Christina A. Snyder,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for
the Central District of California, vice Ed-
ward Rafeedie, retired.

Clarence J. Sundram,
of New York, to be U.S. District Judge for
the Northern District of New York, vice Con
G. Cholakakis, retired.

Thomas W. Thrash, Jr.,
of Georgia, to be U.S. District Judge for the
Northern District of Georgia, vice Robert L.
Vining, Jr., retired.

Marjorie O. Rendell,
of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for
the Third Circuit, vice William D. Hutchin-
son, deceased.

Helene N. White,
of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the
Sixth Circuit, vice Damon J. Keith, retired.

Submitted January 9

Genta Hawkins Holmes,
of California, a career member of the Senior
Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor,
to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Pleni-
potentiary of the United States of America
to Australia.

Anne W. Patterson,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior
Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor,

to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of El Salvador.

Arma Jane Karaer,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Solomon Islands, and as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Vanuatu.

Dennis K. Hays,
of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Suriname.

John Francis Maisto,
of Pennsylvania, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Venezuela.

Pete Peterson,
of Florida, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Edward William Gnehm, Jr.,
of Georgia, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the 51st Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Karl Frederick Inderfurth,
of North Carolina, to be an Alternate Representative of the United of America to the 51st Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Victor Marrero,
of New York, to be an Alternate Representative of the United of America to the 51st Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Keith R. Hall,
of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, vice Jeffrey K. Harris, resigned.

Joseph Lane Kirkland,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the U.S. Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2001, vice Allen Weinstein, term expired.

Yolanda Townsend Wheat,
of Missouri, to be a member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for the term of 6 years expiring August 2, 2001, vice Robert H. Swan, term expired.

Richard W. Bogosian,
of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Coordinator for Rwanda/Burundi.

John Stern Wolf,
of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Coordinator for Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).

Letitia Chambers,
of Oklahoma, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2000, vice Roy M. Huhndorf, resigned.

Barbara Blum,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2002 (reappointment).

Jeanne Givens,
of Idaho, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring October 18, 2002, vice Piestewa Robert Harold Ames, term expired.

Michael A. Naranjo,
of New Mexico, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American In-

dian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development for a term expiring May 19, 2002, vice Beatrice Rivas Sanchez, term expired.

Nathan Leventhal,
of New York, to be a member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002, vice William Bailey, term expired.

Gerald N. Tirozzi,
of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, vice Thomas W. Payzant, resigned.

Robert F. Drinan,
of Massachusetts, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 3 years (new position).

Susan Hayase,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 3 years (new position).

Elsa H. Kudo,
of Hawaii, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 2 years (new position).

Yeiichi Kuwayama,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 3 years (new position).

Dale Minami,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 3 years (new position).

Peggy A. Nagae,
of Oregon, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 3 years (new position).

Don T. Nakanishi,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public

Education Fund for a term of 2 years (new position).

Leo M. Goto,
of Colorado, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund for a term of 2 years (new position).

Mary Lucille Jordan,
of Maryland, to be a member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of 6 years expiring August 30, 2002 (reappointment).

David J. Barram,
of California, to be Administrator of General Services, vice Roger W. Johnson, resigned.

Kevin L. Thurm,
of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services, vice Walter D. Broadnax, resigned.

Rose Ochi,
of California, to be Director, Community Relations Service, for a term of 4 years, vice Grace Flores-Hughes, term expired.

Hulett Hall Askew,
of Georgia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 1998 (reappointment).

Ernestine P. Watlington,
of Pennsylvania, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 1999 (reappointment).

A.E. Dick Howard,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term of 6 years, vice Lance Banning.

Jon Deveaux,
of New York, to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring October 12, 1998 (reappointment).

Anthony R. Sarmiento,
of Maryland, to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a

term expiring September 22, 1998, vice Benita C. Somerfield, term expired.

Sarah McCracken Fox,
of New York, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of 5 years expiring August 27, 2000, vice James M. Stephens, term expired.

Magdalena G. Jacobsen,
of Oregon, to be a member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 1999 (reappointment).

Patricia M. McMahon,
of New Hampshire, to be Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, vice Fred W. Garcia.

Daniel Guttman,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2001, vice Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., term expired.

Denis J. Hauptly,
of Minnesota, to be Chairman of the Special Panel on Appeals for a term of 6 years, vice Barbara Jean Mahone, term expired.

Sophia H. Hall,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 1997, vice John F. Daffron, Jr., term expired.

Sophia H. Hall,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2002 (reappointment).

Charles A. Gueli,
of Maryland, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 1999, vice Walter Scott Blackburn, term expired.

Niranjan S. Shah,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 1998, vice John H. Miller, term expired.

Lowell Lee Junkins,
of Iowa, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation, vice Edward Charles Williamson.

Susan R. Baron,
of Maryland, to be a member of the National Corporation for Housing Partnerships for the term expiring October 27, 1997 (reappointment).

Brig. Gen. Robert Bernard Flowers, USA
to be a member and President of the Mississippi River Commission.

M.R.C. Greenwood,
of California, to be member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Perry L. Adkisson, term expired.

Vera C. Rubin,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Bernard F. Burke, term expired.

John A. Armstrong,
of Massachusetts, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Thomas B. Day, term expired.

Stanley Vincent Jaskolski,
of Ohio, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice James Johnson Duderstadt, term expired.

Jane Lubchenco,
of Oregon, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2000, vice W. Glenn Campbell, term expired.

Richard A. Tapia,
of Texas, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Phillip A. Griffiths, term expired.

Mary K. Gaillard,
of California, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Founda-

tion, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Marye A. Fox, term expired.

Bob H. Suzuki,
of California, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Jaime Oaxaca, term expired.

Eamon M. Kelly,
of Louisiana, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2002, vice Howard E. Simmons, term expired.

Heidi H. Schulman,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2002, vice Martha Buchanan, resigned.

Kerri-Ann Jones,
of Maryland, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, vice Jane M. Wales, resigned.

Jerry M. Melillo,
of Massachusetts, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, vice Robert T. Watson, resigned.

Johnny H. Hayes,
of Tennessee, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2005 (reappointment).

Triruvurur R. Lakshmanan,
of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, for the term of 4 years (reappointment).

D. Michael Rappoport,
of Arizona, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2002 (reappointment).

Judith M. Espinosa,
of New Mexico, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term of 4 years (new position).

Ronald Kent Burton,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2002 (reappointment).

Madeleine Korbel Albright,
of the District of Columbia, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the 51st Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Anthony Lake,
of Massachusetts, to be Director of Central Intelligence, vice John M. Deutch, resigned.

Sheila Foster Anthony,
of Arkansas, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of 7 years from September 26, 1995, vice Janet Dempsey Steiger, term expired.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released January 6

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Released January 7

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Transcript of a press briefing by Dr. Joyce Lashof and Adm. Paul Busick, USN, on the report of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing four appointments to the White House staff

Fact sheet on Presidential initiatives on Gulf war veterans' illnesses

Announcement of 22 nominations for the Federal bench